HO-366 MARSHALLEE Elkridge Private

Circa 1845

Marshallee as a Howard County Landmark is significant to the nation for its connection to Charles Marshall, personal secretary to Robert E. Lee. He was the only one of Lee's staff to be with him at Appomatox and was also responsible for drafting Lee's farewell address to the Army of Northern Virginia. Built in 1858 of massive stone covered with stucco, its two story, hipped roof four bay wide front facade faces east on the crest of a gently sloping hill west of I-95.

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A small "counting room" with outside entrance for paying farm hands was

located in the northwest corner of the original structure.

Now located on some 200 acres of land containing orchards and two tenant farm houses and surrounded by development, in close proximity to I-95, its future is undetermined. Presently in a deteriorated state, it waits patiently for careful restoration.

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Marshallee is a two story, hipped roof structure facing east, built of massive stone covered with stucco containing 20" walls with chimneys located on the north and south.

The east elevation holds four french doors with the main entrance located in the second north bay. It is flanked by vertical side lights. Shutters originally decorated the windows and doors of this elevation, and of which have presently been removed by vandals.

A one story flat roofed porch runs around the entire south and east elevations of the main body of the house. It is decorated by a simple cornice supported by scrolled brackets which also decorate the rectangular supporting pillars of the porch. Three brick steps on the south lead to the wooden landing.

The south elevation of this east wing hold two second floor double-hung windows with stone sills which originally held six-over-six lites. The first floor on the west bay holds a similar window. A rectangular french door is located in the east bay. All the doors and windows of the house have been taken out or broken by vandals.

The second floor holds two large double-hung windows with a small rectangular casement window between them.

A narrow entrance portico with flat roof and scrolled barge boards is located on the east bay of the north elevation of the original structure. There is evidence of a similar portico on the south elevation which existed prior to the present open porch.

A west wing of two stories runs east-west of the main structure. It is composed of three bays with a chimney rising from the middle of the gabled roof.

The cornice is held by brackets which appear to be a row of dentils. Three second floor double-hung windows rest in the south wall of this wing. A first floor double-hung window rests in the east bay of the south wall while another first floor double-hung window rests in a rectangular inset in this south wall. This may originally have been a large opening for a carriage or livestock which was later filled in exposing the 20" stone wall building construction. An interview with the last occupant of the house revealed no light on the subject. A similar large square recess is located on the north elevation suggesting perhaps a hall or passage of this width from one side of the house to the other. A north door is located in this inset.

The west elevation of this west wing holds one second floor central window. The first floor wall is entirely open and has been used as a garage Five second floor double-hung six-over-six rectangular windows with flat wood lintels are inset into the north wall.

A two bay two story hyphen connects this west wing to the original east wing.

A rectangular door is located in the west bay of the south wall. A double-hung rectangular window originally containing six-over-six lites is located in the east bay of this wall with a similar 2nd floor window above it

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Marshallee as a Howard County Landmark is significant to the nation for its connection to Charles Marshall and Robert E. Lee. Built in 1858 of local stone of pleasing scale and proportions it stands on the crest of a gently sloping hill west of I-95. Presently owned by Marriott Corporation it standsempty and in the last year this lovely home, once comfortably liveable, has become a shambles of its former self, a veritable shell whose empty broken windows and shattered interior gives mute testimony to what occurs whenever an old house stands empty and unoccupied. Its hipped roof, north and south chimneys, as well as the brackets which hold and decorate the cornice offer a hint of its former grandeur and grace. Its interior comprised fourteen rooms and a large central hall where a family picture hung of Colonel Charles Marshall, previous owner and aide-de-camp and confidant to General Robert E. Lee. It depicted Marshall and Lee at Appomattox. During the years 1862-1865, Marshall served as Lee's personal Secretary and helped draw up the terms of surrender in April, 1865. He was the only member of Lee's Staff to be with him at Appomatox and was also responsible for drafting Lee's farewell address to the Army of Northern Virginia.

A Virginian by birth, Marshall chose Baltimore for his law practice before and after the war. In 1866, Colonel Charles Marshall married Miss Rebecca Snowden, daughter of Colonel Thomas Snowden of "Montpelier".

In 1876 Colonel Marshall purchased 252 acres in Howard County, the home of James C. Adams which was then known as "Lyndwood", built in 1858. The Marshalls are said to be responsible for the construction of the back west wing to the place which they renamed "Markham". This was a family name through which Colonel Marshall traced a family tie to John Marshall, first Supreme Court Chief Justice.

The immense parlor once contained a massive secretary which belonged to Colonel Marshall. A small "counting room" with outside entrance for paying farm hands was located west of the family room. It contained a built-in safe with thick stone walls, a brick floor and a heavy door swinging on great hinges and huge old brass key. A counting room was also located at Birmingham Manor, an ancestral home of Mrs. Marshall near Laurel.

The Marshalls remained loyal to the Confederacy. A cookbook for the benefit of the Confederate Relief Bazaar of April, 1898 contained "Recipes Old and New Collected by Mrs. Charles Marshall".

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Marshallee - Description (Continued)

The second story west wing may well have been constructed at a later date than the first floor. The trim and woodwork on the upstairs doors and windows are of a later period.

It may well be that a one story kitchen lay west of the house and beyond it a shed or workroom which were later connected as a whole by the addition of a second floor.

The interior which has been completely gutted by vandals, contained fourteen rooms with a large central hall. The living room was on the left as you entered, the family room on the right.

A small room, the "counting room" with a steel door vault, is located west of the family room.

The connector was used as a butler's pantry and the original kitchen as a kitchen. A little shed and work room were located west of this.

Originally the land was farmed with orchards on the property.

The Gate Keeper's House or tenant house is located northeast of the main house not far from I-95. A wooden sign, Marshallee Lane off Old Montgomery Road indicates the entrance to this property.

It is a one and a half story wood and stucco dwelling three bays wide and two bays deep with a gabled roof running north-south decorated with scrolled barge-boards which lend a picturesque effect to an otherwise simple structure.

The north and south elevations of the building are identical, holding two first floor double-hung windows with shutters and six-over-six lites and a similar second floor window centered into the A formed by the gabled roof.

The west elevation comprises a central rectangular entrance door covered by a shed roof porch supported by two posts and flanked by a double-hung rectangular window holding six-over-six lites.

The east wall holds a rectangular double-hung window with six-over-six lites on each side of a small rectangular window.

The entrance door is located in the south bay of this wall. A grey brick chimney rises on the south side of the east wall.

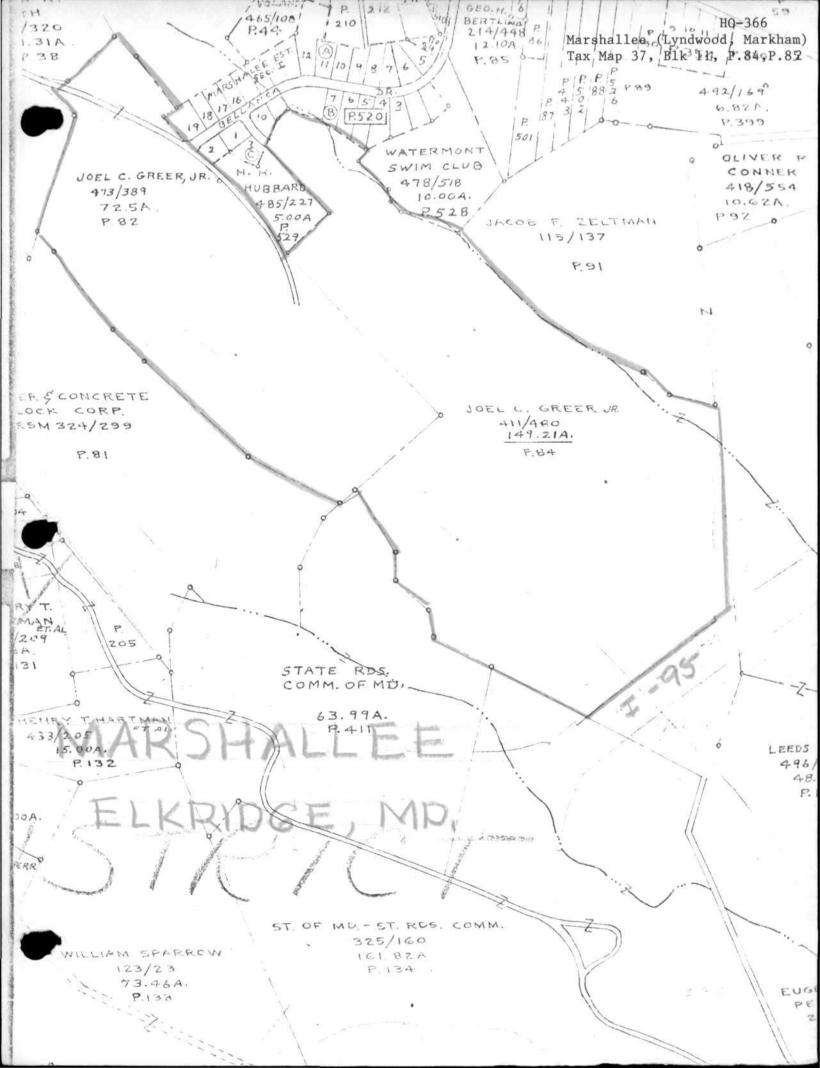
The building rests on a cinder block foundation which in turn rests on an earlier stone foundation, most probably used for an earlier building. The foundation for an old barn is located north west of this tenant house.

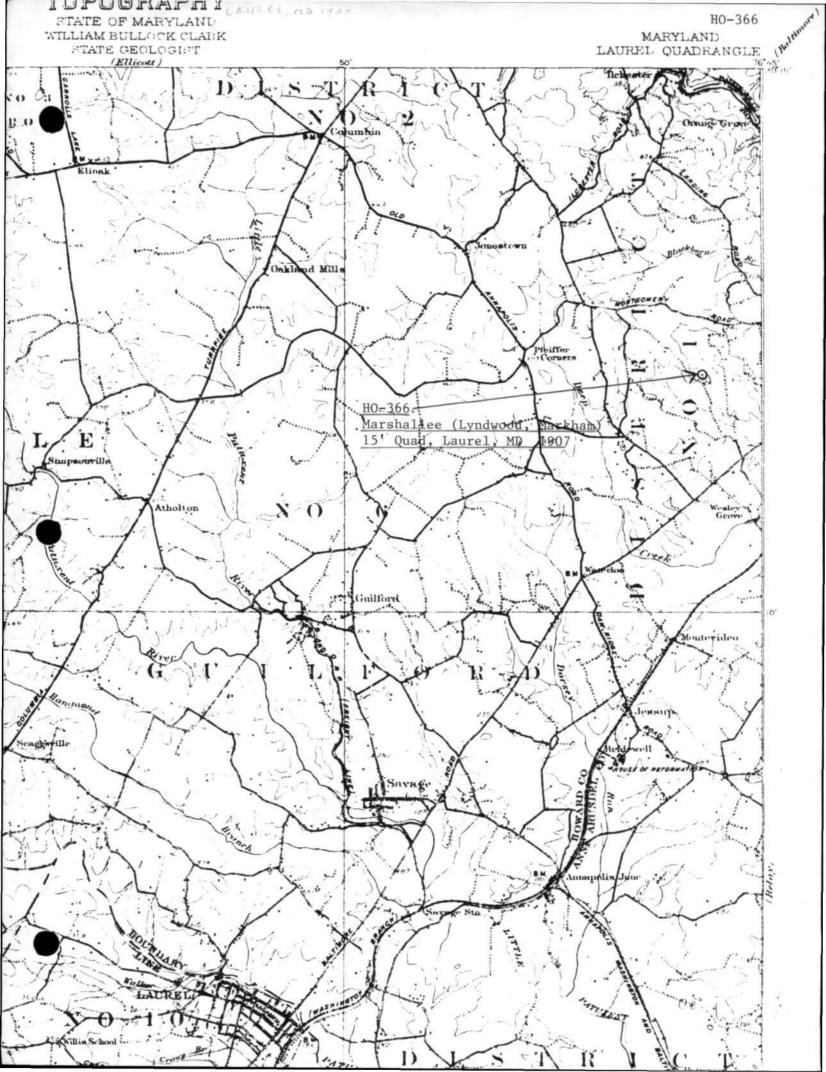
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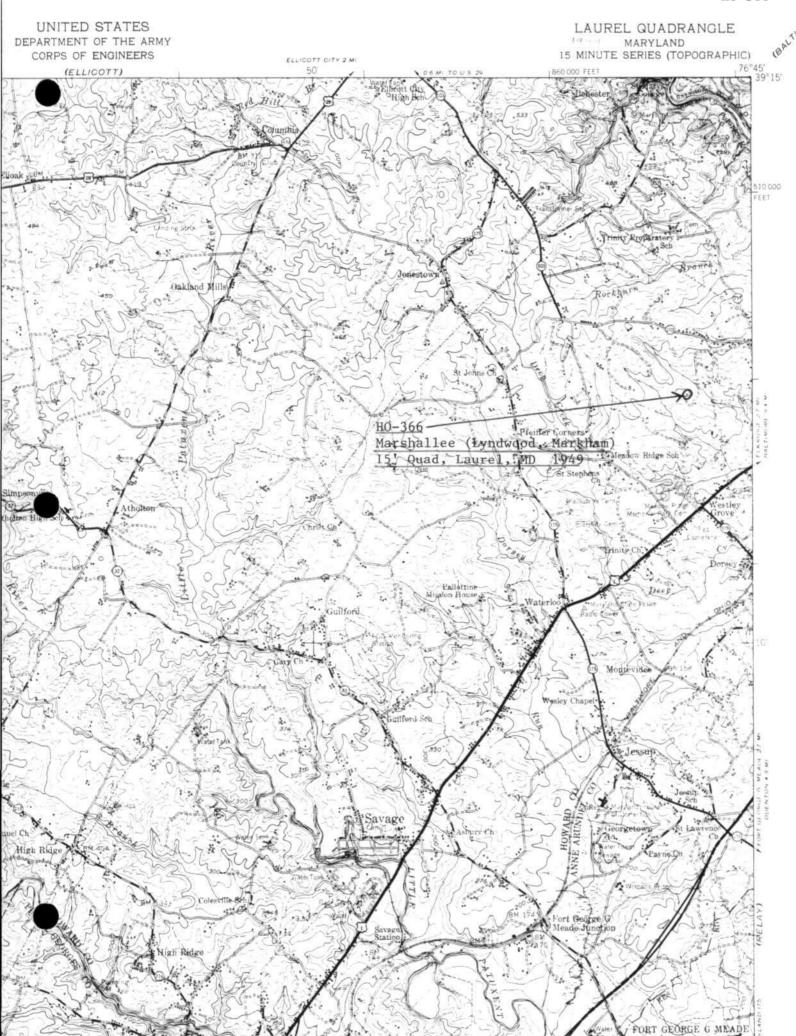
In 1902 Colonel Marshall died after many happy years of family life. A quiet pace back and forth across the width of his porch in the company of a favorite granddaughter gave Marshall great pleasure. Mrs. Marshall held "Markham" for some sixteen years.

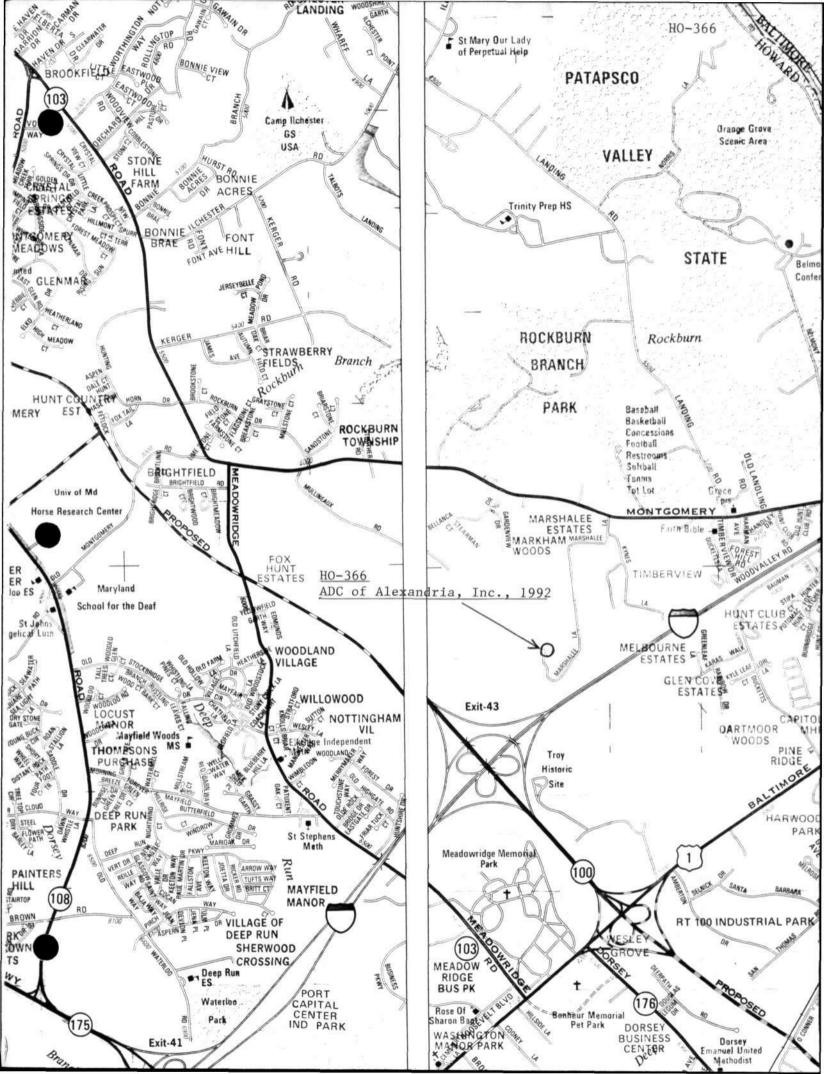
In 1939 Colonel and Mrs. Randolph Coyle took over Markham and renamed it Marshallee in honor of General Robert E. Lee and his aide-de-camp Colonel Charles Marshall.

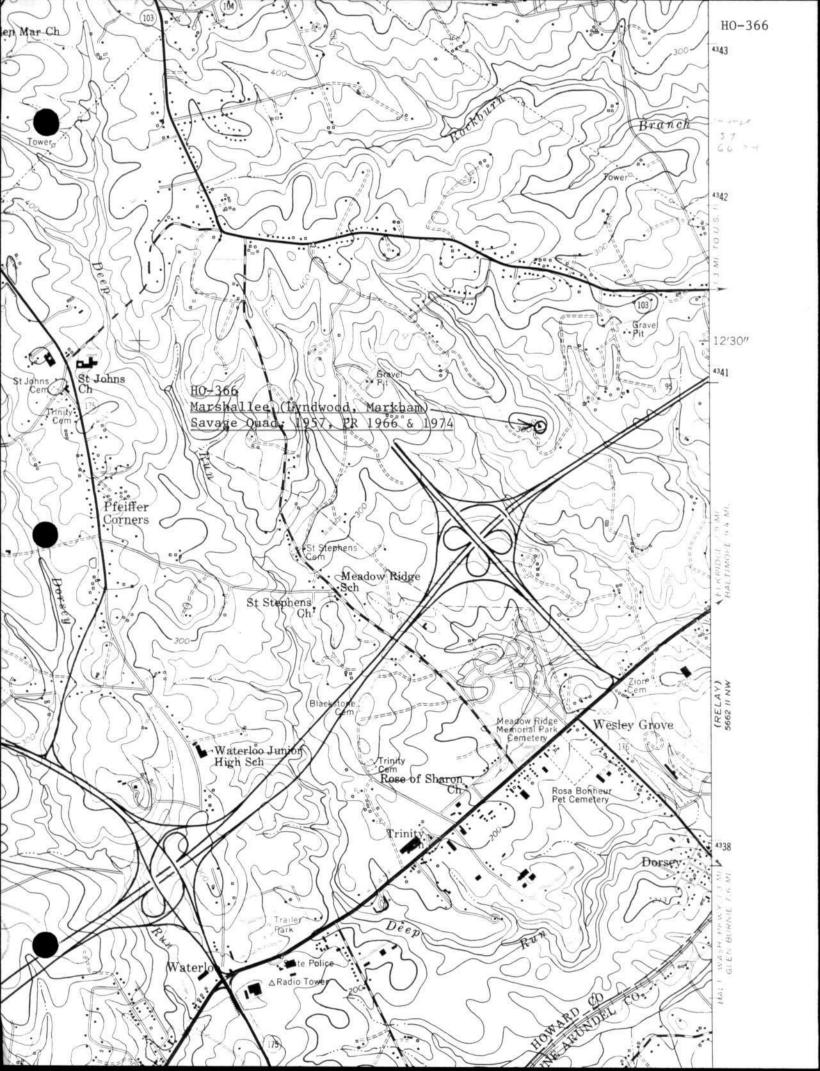
Nationally significant through its association with an important personage and national event, Marshallee also presents a pleasing architectural composite with unique interior features. It is most certainly of national register stature and steps should be taken to insure its preservation and secure its future.













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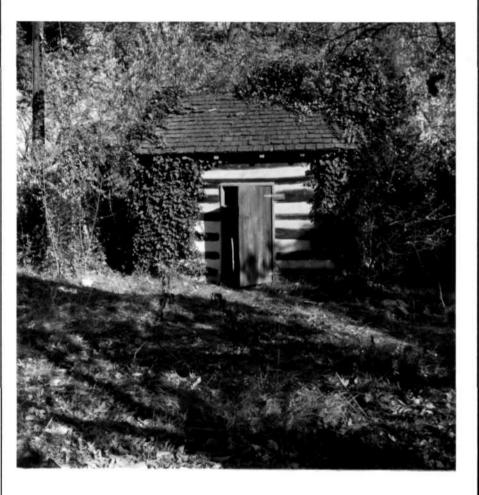


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